

providing an inserter sized for passage through said guide, said inserter having a second tracking device attached thereto for use in identifying a position of said inserter relative to the at least one bone, said inserter adapted to hold at least one of the implant and the bone dowel for insertion into the implantation space; and

generating a display of a position of said inserter relative to the at least one bone to provide a view of an axial orientation of said inserter relative to the at least one bone;

wherein the generating displays at least one of the implant and the bone dowel on the end of said inserter.

REMARKS


By this Preliminary Amendment, Claims 1-51 have been canceled without prejudice and new Claims 52-94 have been added. The basis for the amendments can be found throughout the specification, claims and drawings as originally filed. No new matter has been added. It is thus respectfully requested that this Preliminary Amendment be entered prior to examination of this application.

Should the Examiner have any questions or comments concerning this Preliminary Amendment, the Examiner is courteously invited to contact the undersigned at the Examiner's earliest convenience.

Respectfully submitted,

HARNESS, DICKY & PIERCE, P.L.C.
Attorneys for Applicants

Date: June 14, 2002

By: 
Richard W. Warner
Reg. No. 38,043

P.O. Box 828
Bloomfield Hills, MI 48303
(248) 641-1600
RWAR/jld